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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 662 By Maddox

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mr. James H. Westbrook, Jr., upon the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting for this General Assembly to pause in deliberations and recognize those esteemed individuals who in their years of public service have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Mr. James H. Westbrook, Jr.; and
WHEREAS, James H. Westbrook, Jr. has been a fixture around the state capitol for
many years as an auditor in the Comptroller's Office, as Executive Director of the County
Technical Assistance Service, following in and filling the footsteps of the great Ralph Harris who
preceded him in such position, and as Executive Director of the Tennessee County Highway
Officials Association of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Westbrook is a historical fixture in Tennessee's 95 counties, having served as a Weakley County Commissioner, and by virtue of his service on behalf of counties

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dating back to days of marching in Washington in a polyester leisure suit with pork chop sideburns on behalf of local governments; and

WHEREAS, James Westbrook has set an example as a public accountant and, by legislative enactment, a certified public accountant, and is a successful businessman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Westbrook's retirement will have severe economic impact on many of the businesses of Davidson County, particularly the food and beverage services at the Sheraton Downtown; and

WHEREAS, James H. Westbrook, Jr. has announced he is retiring from his position as Executive Director of the Tennessee County Highway Officials Association on this 31st day of January, 2002; and

WHEREAS, this announcement comes as a great shock to many of us who work at the state capitol, who thought Mr. Westbrook had already ceased working; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this Body hereby honors James H. Westbrook, Jr. of Dresden, Tennessee, upon the occasion of his retirement, in a way commensurate with his great accomplishments on his final day as Executive Director of the Tennessee County Highway Officials Association, and recognizes the many happy moments we have shared with him during his long tenure in service of the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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